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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 10/586,631 :  
FILED: JULY 19, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1793  
FOR: LUBRICANT FOR POWDER :  
METALLURGY, POWDERY MIXTURE  
FOR POWDER METALLURGY, AND  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SINTER

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendment** begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.